(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have made any enquiry in this regard; and

(d) which are the banks and individuals involved in these incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) to (d) Financial transactions involvihg an amount of*over Rs. 333 crores through some banks in Mumbai having branches in Kerala have come to notice. The matter is under investigation.

Increasing the strength of PCR-vans in Delhi Police

129. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether 1600 distress calls are received daily by Delhi Police Control Room and to meet them, the Delhi Police is equipped with 338 PCR vans and therefore it takes upto 2 hours to take a victim to the nearby hospital;

(b) whether the Delhi Police has asked for 100 per cent increase in the strength of the vans.

(c) if so, what is Government's decision in this regard; and

(d) what steps are being taken to remove the shortage of vehicles and manpower to make Delhi Police more responsive and effective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) The PCR vans on an average take 5-8 minutes to reach the place of incident during rush hours and 3-5 minutes during the lean hours and on holidays.

(b) and (c) Delhi Police have sent a proposal for addition of 442 PCR Vans to their existing fleet to the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi. However, the latter have not so far made any recommendation for acceptance of this proposal to the Central Government.

(d) Modernization of Delhi Police and augmentation of its manpower is a continuing process. In fact, there have been made, during the last 3-4 years substantial additional to the strength of Delhi Police.